



Borderland State Park

Department of Conservation and Recreation

JANUARY 2022 PROGRAMS

All programs are free and open to the public. An adult must accompany children. Reasonable accommodations available upon request. Parking fee applies. In case of inclement weather, confirm by calling (508) 238-6566. Please follow all current COVID guidelines. Visit Mass.gov/COVID.

Sunday, January 2 **ACTIVITIES & CONVERSATION BY THE FIRE**

9:00am-12:00pm, Meet at the Lodge

Stop by the stone lodge and enjoy a warm fire with the park staff. Try to identify different animal pelts, grab a coloring sheet and have a great conversation with the park staff. This is a drop -in program, stay for the duration or drop in for a few minutes.

Thursdays, January 6, 13, 20 & 27

OFF THE BEATEN PATH HIKES

1:00pm—3:00pm, Meet at the Visitor Center Join the Park Interpreter for a guided hike and explore the trails at Borderland. Hikes are between 2-4 miles long on varied terrain at a moderate pace. Route varies each week. For

adults.

Sundays, January 9, 30 & Wednesday, January 19 A STORY IN STONE: EXTERIOR MANSION TOUR

2:00pm—2:30pm, Meet in front of the Ames Mansion Who was the architect of the Ames Mansion? What is the mansion made out of? Learn the story of the construction and design of the Ames mansion on this 30-minute *exterior* tour (we will not be going into the Mansion). Inclement weather will cancel this program. For all ages.

Saturday,

WINTER TRACKING WALK

January 15 10:00am - 11:00am, Meet at the Visitor Center

Join Kyla Bennett and the park staff for a winter tracking walk. Looking for signs of wildlife (e.g. animal tracks), we will learn what animals were here. Inclement weather and icy trails

will cancel this program. For all ages.

Sunday, January 16 **FAMILY NATURE HIKE**

9:00am -10:00am, Meet at the Visitor Center

Join the park staff for a family friendly 1 mile hike along the Pond Edge and Quiet Woods Tail. We will make several stops along the way to observe and learn about nature. Strollers are

not suggested for this hike. Great for all ages.

Sunday, January 16 WINTER GREENS WALK

1:00pm -2:00pm, Meet at the Visitor Center

Join the park staff for a short walk exploring our winter trees and shrubs. We will hike through the forest, fields and near wetlands to learn and identify a few different winter greens.

Sunday, January 23 DCR SE MASS ADULT WALKING CLUB,

10:00am -1:00pm, Meet at the Visitor Center

Join the park staff for a 5 mile moderately paced hike to the Quarry Loop via various hilly and rocky trails. Weather

conditions may alter the route. For adults.

Daily

SELF-GUIDED BROCHURES

8:00am—4:00pm, at the Visitor Center

Want to learn more about the architecture or the historic Ames Mansion and the grounds? Stop by the visitor center and get a self guided brochure, located in the entry way of the visitor

center. For all ages.

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